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This is in response to the Restriction Requirement stated in the Office Letter dated **March 12, 2007**.

The Examiner requires that claims of either Group I or Group II be elected for prosecution. Applicants elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-22, drawn to a titanium alloy, classified in class 420, subclass 417 or class 148; subclass 421. This election is made without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,



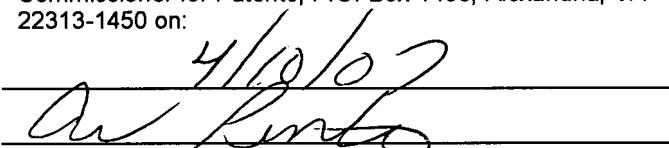
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